



University of the Ryukyus (Okinawa Prefecture)



Practical learning experiences, making use of Okinawa's geographic and cultural characteristics

◇ University overview

○ Characteristics and history

The University of the Ryukyus was established under the U.S administration governing Okinawa in 1950 and became a national university of Japan in 1972. At the time of our university's founding we received valuable guidance from Michigan State University. Today, we still try to uphold the very best traditions of the American university system with both local and global features. The university currently consists of seven faculties (Humanities and Social Sciences, Global and Regional Studies, Education, Science, Medicine, Engineering, and Agriculture), graduate schools (Humanities and Social Sciences, Tourism Sciences, Education, Medicine, Health Sciences, Engineering and Science, Agriculture and the United Graduate School of Agricultural Sciences, Kagoshima University), Special Needs Education Programs, and Professional Degree Courses (Law and Education). There are approximately 8,000 students and 2,300 teaching and administrative staff.

○ International exchange

• Affiliated Universities and Institutions (as of May 2019) : 115 (40 countries and regions)

• Number of international students

AY 2019: 292 (46 countries and regions)

AY 2018: 296 (48 countries and regions)

AY 2017: 288 (46 countries and regions)

• Number of Teacher Training Students

AY 2019: 1, AY 2018: 1

AY 2017: 0

Welcome to Okinawa



◇ Outline and characteristics of the course for Teacher Training Students

○ Characteristics of the program

To meet individual needs for professional development, an academic supervisor will give tutoring and guidance to a teacher training student in his/her laboratory. There will be various opportunities for information exchange with Japanese students, including actual schoolteachers studying at the university as graduate students.

○ Number of students to be accepted: 1 (See the list of Advisor)

○ Outline of the course

- Japanese language education (October 2020 to March 2021)
 - a) Basic courses : Mainly for beginners of Japanese, a teacher training student takes intensive Japanese language courses on Basic Japanese and learn about Japanese society and culture.
 - b) Japanese Language Classes for Research and Graduate Students: A teacher training student who wishes can take these classes from beginners' to the advanced level.
- Specialized training (April 2021 to March 2022)
 - a) A supervisor will give appropriate guidance for each student to master the fundamentals of training in specialized fields of study.
 - b) If interested, a teacher training student may participate in lectures/seminars at undergraduate or graduate level as an auditor.
 - c) At the end of the period of study, each teacher training student writes a paper and receives a certificate of attendance.
- Practical training, participatory subjects such as field trips and regional exchanges
 - a) Elementary and junior high schools attached to the Faculty of Education are very useful for actual education training.
- Others
 - a) A tutor, Japanese student, is assigned to help each teacher training student not only in his/her studies, but to adjust to his/her new environment for the first year.
 - b) A teacher training student may participate in various events such as the International Student Festival, parties, etc.



◇ Follow-up for graduates A follow-up to courses may be offered at the discretion of an advisor.

◇ Accommodations

Accommodation on campus is available.

○ Monthly rent *There will be a revised rent table because new and renovated dormitories will open in the 2020 academic year.

Type of accommodations		Room rent	Water&Gas Charges	Electric Charges
dormitory	“Ippan-to”	¥4,300	¥4,400	According to quantity Consumed
	“Konju-to”	¥4,700	¥8,400	
	“Shin konju-to”	¥15,000	¥4,000	
Private apartment house		Approx.¥35,000		

○ Facilities A bed, a desk, a chair, and a shelf are installed in each room. There are a shared shower room, a laundry, a lounge and vending machines. (Rooms in Shin-konju-to are fully equipped with kitchen, toilet and shower)

○ Information for daily life

Student dormitories are conveniently located on campus. Also, hospitals, community services and convenience stores are located near the campus.

◇ Contact

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